

REMARKS

Claims 103, 109 and 122 have been canceled, and Claims 24, 32, 107, 135, 143, 152 and 153 have been amended.

Claims 126-135 are allowed.

Upon entry of this Amendment After Final, Claims 24-26, 28-32, 101, 105-108, 111-113, 115-121, 124-160 will be pending.

Independent Claim 24 has been amended to include the phrase “at least about 75% amino acid sequence similarity,” which was previously found in dependent Claim 103, and Claim 103 has been canceled.

Claims 32 and 143 have been amended to more clearly point out the claimed subject matter by reciting “[t]he hybrid immunoglobulin of Claim”

Independent Claim 107 has been amended to include the phrase “at least about 75% amino acid sequence similarity,” which was previously found in dependent Claim 109, and Claim 109 has been canceled.

Claim 135 has been amended to correct a clerical error by deleting the phrase “or immunoglobulin chain.”

Claims 152 and Claim 153 have also been amended to correct clerical errors. Specifically, Claims 152 and 153 have been amended to be dependent upon Claims 149 and 152, respectively, thereby avoiding redundancy with Claims 118 and 119.

The amended claims are supported by the application, reduce issues for appeal, place the claims in better condition for appeal, and do not require further search or examination.

Therefore, this Amendment After Final should be entered. Entry of this Amendment After Final is requested.

Paragraph 3. Rejection of Claims 24-26, 28-32, 103, 105-109, 111-113, 115, 116, 118-122, 124, 125, 136-150 and 152-160 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph.

Claims 103, 109 and 122 have been canceled.

The rejection of Claims 24-26, 28-32, 105-108, 111-113, 115, 116, 118-121, 124, 125, 136-150 and 152-160 will be addressed in the Appeal Brief.

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Paragraph 4. Rejection of Claims 24-26, 28-32, 103, 105-109, 111-113, 115, 116, 118-122, 124, 125, 136-150 and 152-160 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph.

Claims 103, 109 and 122 have been canceled.

The rejection of Claims 24-26, 28-32, 105-108, 111-113, 115, 116, 118-121, 124, 125, 136-150 and 152-160 will be addressed in the Appeal Brief.

Paragraph 7. Rejection of Claims 24-26, 28-31, 103, 105-109, 111, 113, 115, 116, 118, 120-122, 124, 136-142, 144-147, 149, 150, 152, 154, 155 and 157-160 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

Claims 103, 109 and 121 have been canceled.

The rejection of Claims 24-26, 28-31, 105-108, 111-113, 115, 116, 118, 120-121, 124, 136-142, 144-147, 149, 150, 152, 154, 155 and 157-160 will be addressed in the Appeal Brief.

Paragraph 8. Rejection of Claims 32, 112, 119, 125, 143, 148, 153 and 156 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)..

The rejection of Claims 32, 112, 119, 125, 143, 148, 153 and 156 will be addressed in the Appeal Brief.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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